

Minutes

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry led the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

John Bender	Rick Deeds	Bruce Jarvis	Bobbie Mershon
Victor Paini	Marilyn Rush-Ekelberry		

Mrs. Mershon moved to excuse Mrs. Turner for medical emergency. Dr. Bender seconded the motion.

VOTE: **AYES** Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,
Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry, Mr. Jarvis
NAYS
Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry moved to approve the minutes from the Council meeting on December 1st, 2008, the November 24th, 2008 – Committee of Whole meeting and the December 8th, 2008 – Joint Meeting of Planning & Zoning Commission and Village Council. Mr. Jarvis seconded the motion.

VOTE: **AYES** Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,
Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry, Mr. Jarvis, Mr. Deeds

NAYS

Mr. Deeds abstained on the December 1st minutes and voted yes on the COW
and Joint meeting.

Motion carried.

Communications & Petitions:

A letter was read from Mayor Michael Ebert to the Ohio Board of Building Standards regarding a requested amendment to the Ohio Residential Building Code regarding fire walls between units in multi-family dwellings.

Sponsor: Mr. Paini

O-12-08D AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH C.F. BIRD & R.J. BULL, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

Mr. Paini read the ordinance. Second reading only.

Sponsor: Dr. Bender

O-12-08F AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT VARIOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PRESERVATION GUIDELINES.

Dr. Bender read the ordinance. Second reading only.

Sponsor: Mr. Paini

O-12-08G AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

Mr. Paini read the ordinance. Second reading only.

Sponsor: Mr. Jarvis

O-12-08H AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 52-01 TO ADOPT THE REVISED PRELIMINARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE WINCHESTER CIRCLE DEVELOPMENT, A PART OF THE ORIGINAL PIFER PROPERTY, ZONED PCD.

Mr. Jarvis read the ordinance. Second reading only.

THIRD Reading

Sponsor: Dr. Bender

O-11-08D AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR PLUMBING INSPECTIONS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2009 WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH.

Dr. Bender read the ordinance and moved to adopt Ordinance 65-08. Mrs. Mershon seconded the motion.

VOTE: **AYES** Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,
Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry, Mr. Jarvis

NAYS
Motion carried.

Sponsor: Mrs. Turner

O-11-08E AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE POSITION OF PUBLIC RELATIONS INTERN FOR THE VILLAGE OF CANAL WINCHESTER, OHIO WITH A SALARY RANGE OF \$9.87 PER HOUR TO \$13.82 PER HOUR, AND TO ADOPT A JOB DESCRIPTION FOR SUCH POSITION.

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry read the ordinance and moved to adopt Ordinance 66-08. Mr. Paini seconded the motion.

VOTE: **AYES** Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,
Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry, Mr. Jarvis

NAYS
Motion carried.

Mayor's Report:

Mr. Paine moved to accept the report of the Mayor's Court Clerk for November 2008. Mrs. Mershon seconded the motion.

VOTE: **AYES** Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,
Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry, Mr. Jarvis

NAYS

Motion carried.

Mayor Ebert thanked Carrie Hoover for planning Christmas in the Village, the Street Dept. for the setting up and tearing down, Main Street Program for their promotion of the even, all the businesses for staying open late and Bruce Jarvis for running the popcorn machine. It was very well attended on Friday night, though it was very cold! Saturday was less crowded due to a winter storm but attendance was still significant.

Public Works Director: see written report

Development Director:

Mr. Strayer and the Mayor spoke with the Chamber of Commerce Board about the JEDD and he believes they have a better understanding of it now. They will go back next month to answer questions from any members.

Community Affairs Director: see written report

Village Solicitor:

Mr. Hollins stated that Brian Zetts is helping him with his litigation and introduced him. There is a need for a quick executive session.

Fairfield County Sheriff: Sgt. Kern read the report.

The Community Watch vehicle is up and running. It is another tool for the community to use to keep us safe. Sgt. Kern fielded questions regarding the enforcement capability of the community watch personnel.

Many accidents occurred during the winter storm over the weekend.

Finance Director:

Ms. Osborn stated the financial statement for November was attached to the Council packet and reminded Council of the Joint meeting in Pickerington tomorrow.

Ms. Osborn asked if there were comments on the needs assessment for them to be forwarded to her.

Council Reports:

Old Town Committee	Monday, January 12, 2009 at 5:45 PM
Finance Committee	Monday, February 2, 2009 at 5:45 PM
Service Committee	Monday, January 20, 2009 at 5:45 PM
Safety Committee	Monday, January 12, 2009 at 5:00 PM
Joint Public Hearing w Pickerington (JEDD)	Tuesday, December 16, 2008 at 6:30 PM at 100 Lockville Rd

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry thanked the Mayor for writing the letter regarding the firewalls between each unit. She appreciates the effort and feels strongly that this needs to be art of the State of Ohio code.

Dr. Bender noted that there was a nice article in the paper about Dick Miller naming all of the creeks.

NOTE: The minutes set forth herein are an extract of the Council meetings. Anyone desiring a transcript of the complete minutes of the Council meeting may obtain the same at a cost of \$10.00 per page.